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Mr. Mortimer M. Caplin, President National Civil Service League 1825 K Street, N.W. - 75330 Wisconsin Aug Washington, D.C. 20006 Jool≲

Dear Morty Mr. Caplin:

I am particularly pleased to nominate Mr. John H. Waller for the League's Career Service Award. As senior intelligence Operations officer, and at present the Inspector General for the Agency, his contributions for the past 35 years to the national security and to the professional life of this Agency are worthy of high public recognition. The majority of Mr. Valler's career has been the field of foreign intelligence. During that period, he rose to the executive level of command. For over 3 1/2 years now he has been the Inspector General, assisting an guiding the Agency through the trauma of continuous investigations and newspaper headlines. Following the Rockefeller Commission and Congressional committees inquiry, employee understanding of and compliance with law and executive Orders became primary interests. The long-range goal, after refestablishing credibility was, and is, the refbuilding of an effective intelligence service. Mr. Waller's efforts during these past years have been truly exceptional.

I believe the nor nation of the Agency's Inspector General is directly in accord with the League's program of encouraging distinguished public service and giving recognition to unusual public servants. Mr. Waller is, and has been, a leader in the Agency, and exceptiona (has performed outstandingly throughout his whole career. I submit this nomination with great pleasure and believe that its personal and symbolic significance, given his long professional experience and leadership qualities will be appreciated by all Agency employees, should the Board honor him with this award.

Your Sincerely

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SUMMARY

NAME, TITLE & GRADE

: Mr. John H. Waller

Inspector General

BUSINESS ADDRESS

Central Intelligence Agency

Washington, D.C. 20505

RESIDENCE ADDRESS

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EDUCATION & DEGREES

University of Michigan

LENGTH OF SERVICE

35 years

MARITAL STATUS

Married, three children

DATE & PLACE OF BIRTH : Paw Paw, Michigan, 8 May 1923

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Because of his professional experience in field operations, his sound judgment and political astuteness, he was appointed Special Assistant to the Deputy Director of Operations to serve In the Directorates focal point for negotiations, information release Openhars of and briefings of the Executive and Congressional investigative groups. Subsequently, and for the past three and a half years, Mr. Waller has served with particular distinction as the Inspector General of C/A. At the outset of his tenure, his deliberate and detailed focus on compliance with law ensured that that issue was essentially put to rest. The main thrust of the Inspector General effort could thus has been objective

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NOMINATION STATEMENT OF MR. JOHN H. WALLER FOR THE CAREER SERVICE AWARD

Agency is a senior foreign intelligence officer in the United States Government. For over 35 years, he has made major and original contributions to national intelligence in support of the foreign policy of the United States, and the requirements of national security. For the past three and a half years, he has made exceptional contributions in making the Office of the Inspector General of increasingly with service with law both to Agency management and to its employees.

Mr. Waller was born in May 1923. He entered the University of Michigan in 1940 and received a BA from that University in 1943. Immediately upon graduation, Mr. Waller joined the State Department where he became a diplomatic courier stationed in Cairo.

After a year of employment with the Department of State, Mr. Waller was selected to join the Office of Strategic Services. He went through extensive evaluation and training programs and upon STATINTL completion of his training, was sent for work on Middle East matters for OSS.

The only break in Mr. Waller's continuous period of intelligence work came in 1946 when he joined the National City Bank as a management trainee. However, after four months in the banking world, Mr. Waller returned to intelligence work by joining the then Strategic Services Unit (SSU). He was with SSU and its successor organization, the Central Intelligence Group (CIG) until the formation of the Central Intelligence Agency in September 1947. During this pre-CIA period, he was assigned where his abilities and energies were influenced and well utilized in the difficult postwar reconstruction period

Early in his career in the Central Intelligence Agency, it was apparent that Mr. Waller had the capacity for high position. There followed a series of assignments at Headquarters and overseas. He became a GS-16 supergrade in his late 30's, while serving as a Chief of Station in a major overseas post. He held one other major Chief of Station position in another country, served as Deputy Chief of one area division in Headquarters then later as the Chief (GS-18) of another. Throughout this period as a senior operations officer, Mr Waller showed great skill in implementing very sensitive and difficult

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In 1975, the Agency was in the midst of responding to and preparing for, the Rockefeller and the Senate and House (Church and Pike) investigation committees. Mr. Waller was chosen to be special assistant to the Deputy Director of Operations and as such, was the channel for all of that Directorate's responses to the oversight groups. This also was the period when the first Executive Order governing the Agency was promulgated. Mr. Waller played a major role in the drafting of that Order and of the Agency regulation which implements it.

In July 1976, Mr. Waller was appointed Inspector General. Throughout this period he has served with particular distinction. Early in his tenure his deliberate and detailed focus on compliance with law, ensured that this issue was put to rest. Following this initial period, Mr. Waller focused his staff to assist the Director in judging the effectiveness of the Agency's efforts and promoting an improved intelligence service for the future. Also during Mr. Waller's tenure, a complete restructuring of the grievance process has been undertaken. His office's successes in correcting personal inequities in balance with institutional goals has resulted in an internal credibility with employees consistent with today's desired personnel management work environment. Finally, Mr. Waller's oversight of the audit process has incorporated the expanded audit or program audit concept through joined audit/inspection surveys which have proved to be an innovative and successful technique for assessing management effectiveness. JOINT

As a mark of Mr. Waller's great breadth of interest and knowledge as well as his energy, he has found time to research and write two books. He is a member of the Cosmos Club and active in Washington's literary and cultural matters. The nomination of Mr. Waller for the National Civil Service League Career Service Award is based on his 35 years of professional life as an intelligence officer. He has made singular contributions to the national security and his leadership and professionalism reflect the dedicated executive who is devoted to the highest ideals of public service and is worthy of public recognition.

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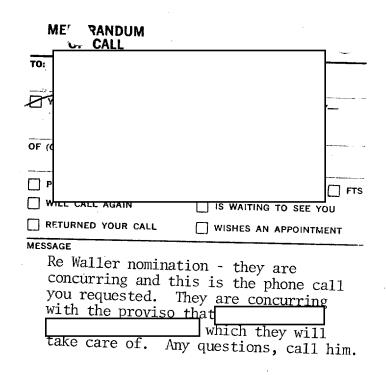
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